

RESOLUTION NO. _____



**A RESOLUTION OF THE THERMAL COMMUNITY COUNCIL
SUPPORTING THE SALTON SEA AUTHORITY
PLAN FOR MULTI-PURPOSE PROJECT**

THE THERMAL COMMUNITY COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE
DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority is a Joint Powers Agency formed under the laws of the State of California by a Joint Powers Agreement dated 1993, and is the regional agency for identifying and implementing corrective measures to preserve the beneficial uses of the Sea; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority has conducted extensive research and scientific investigation of the Salton Sea and has studied numerous alternative measures to restore and revitalize the Sea; and

WHEREAS, on June 29, 2006, the Board of Directors of the Salton Sea Authority voted unanimously to adopt the Executive Summary of the Salton Sea Authority Conceptual Plan; and

WHEREAS, The Thermal Community Council finds that the Salton Sea Authority Conceptual Plan best meets the needs to provide wildlife habitats, improve water quality, and protect air quality in our region; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Conceptual Plan also creates major recreational and economic development opportunities in the Coachella and Imperial Valleys; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority Conceptual Plan best meets the needs of the Thermal Community Council, its constituents, and those living and working in the Coachella and Imperial Valleys; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority Conceptual Plan is superior to other alternatives that the State of California and the U.S. Department of Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, are considering during their programmatic EIR and alternatives study; and

WHEREAS, prior to the formal adopting or implementation of any restoration plan, the Salton Sea Authority will cause any project to undergo a


thorough and environmental analysis pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Thermal Community Council of the County of Riverside as follows:

1. The Thermal Community Council hereby supports the "Salton Sea Authority Conceptual Plan for Multi-Purpose Project" as the preferred plan for restoration and revitalization of the Salton Sea; and
2. The Thermal Community Council encourages the State of California and the Department of Interior to select the Salton Sea Authority Conceptual Plan as their preferred alternative for Salton Sea restoration and revitalization; and
3. The Thermal Community Council encourages cities and counties and other entities to join with it in support of the Salton Sea Authority Conceptual Plan.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by

UNANIMOUS VOTE this 22 day of JANUARY, 2007.


Mike Wells, Chairman
Thermal Community Council
County of Riverside